



CARMEL CLAY SCHOOLS

School Board Workshop Session 2.11.2019



CONSENT AGENDA

- The following items were approved:
- Claims
- Payroll
- Personnel Report

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WORKSHOP TOPIC

- Dr. Amy Dudley introduced Mrs. Anne Arroyo, Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment, Carmel Elementary Principal Megan Klingensmith, Carmel Elementary teachers Mrs. Liz Theil, Mrs. Sara Fernkas, Mrs. Kristen Selms and Instructional Coach Mrs. Ali Lewis to present on the Carmel Clay Schools Instructional Coaching Program.

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SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS



The CCS School Board recognized College Wood Elementary students for winning the Indiana State Science Bowl.

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The CCS School Board recognized Prairie Trace Elementary student Grant Mu for winning the 2019 Indiana Scholastic Chess 8th Grade and Under Championship.

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The CCS School Board recognized Smoky Row Elementary Music Teacher Josh Southard for receiving the IMEA Music Educator of the Year Award

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The CCS School Board recognized Carmel Middle School Music Teacher Joel Powell on receiving the Indiana Chapter of the American String Teachers Association--Indiana Orchestra Teacher of the Year Award.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Dr. Beresford reported to the Board that he has appointed Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment Dr. Amy Dudley as the coordinator for the Policy Committee. He has also appointed Board Secretary Lin Zheng and Board Member Pam Knowles to serve on the committee. The purpose of the committee is to write, review and revise board policy as needed. He thanked Dr. Dudley, Dr. Zheng and Mrs. Knowles for taking on this role and responsibility.
- Dr. Beresford shared with the Board that Carmel High School had their Culture of Care Mental Health Awareness Week February 4th-8th. The purpose of the week was to continue to bring awareness to mental health which includes reducing the stigma associated with mental health and educating students and staff on the resources and supports that are available. Dr. Beresford highlighted the Parent Awareness Night that featured local experts on topics such as vaping and juuling, mental health and social media.
- Dr. Beresford shared with the Board that the district participated in "random acts of kindness" as part of Culture of Care Mental Health Awareness Week. Carmel High School sent each school, including the Educational Services Center, \$20 and asked them to participate in a random act of kindness. Dr. Beresford gave an example from Carmel Elementary in which they exchanged their \$20 for 2,000 pennies and taped them each on a kindness note that read "This cent is not to be spent. Instead, keep it in your pocket as a reminder to be kinder." Students distributed these to their friends, neighbors and community members. Dr. Beresford also mentioned that Cherry Tree Elementary purchased and donated blankets for Wheeler Mission. They posted their random act of kindness on social media, which inspired parents and community members to also donate. Dr. Beresford also highlighted that ESC staff got involved with collecting shampoo, toothpaste and other toiletries for local families in need.
- Dr. Beresford congratulated the CHS Debate Team on an outstanding season. Sowmya Chundi and Leah Tan qualified for Nationals and team qualified enough individuals to form a World School Debate Team to represent Indiana at the national competition.
- Dr. Beresford reported that last week was National School Counseling Week. He thanked all of the school counselors and social workers in the district for all that they do for our students. He stated that he sent a message to staff recognizing them and the quote, "If kids come to us from strong healthy functioning families, it makes our job easier. If they do not come to us from strong, healthy functioning families, it makes our job more important."
- Dr. Beresford mentioned that the 33rd Carmel Education Foundation Telethon will be happening February 19th-21st. Dr. Beresford shared that he will be working the phones alongside high school students to encourage community members to donate.

- Dr. Beresford shared two "bell ringers" with the board:

He shared that he had the honor and privileged of recognizing our first responders from the CHS explosion at last Friday's basketball game. There were members of the fire department, police department and Skillman Corp. present. He shared that the crowd gave those individuals a standing ovation. Maintenance staff worker, Mike Wyatt, was in attendance and shook hands and thanked the first responders. He stated that the appreciation of our students, families and community members is very special to see.

He shared that the CHS Girls Swimming & Diving Team won the IHSAA State Championship for the 33rd consecutive year in a row. He commended the team on their talent, hard work and sportsmanship. He spoke about the joy the students had for the sport and their outstanding team spirit. He thanked the coaches, parents and students for their dedication and their unwavering support throughout the season (and beyond).

[Watch the Superintendent's Report](#)

CCS KUDOS

The School Board would like to recognize the hard work and dedication of staff members as brought to their attention by the Carmel community. Kudos to Greg Clark, Christi Cloud, Bill Cooney and Kate Masterson. If you would like to send a kudos, please email Colleen Nobis at cnobis@ccs.k12.in.us.

IMPORTANT DATES

[Please click here to view upcoming Board Meetings, breaks and holidays](#)

FEBRUARY 2019

Feb. 18th--President's Day (No School)
February 25th--Regular School Board Meeting

MARCH 2019

March 11th--School Board Workshop Session
March 25th--School Board Regular Session
March 29--Spring Break Begins (No School)

Adjournment: The Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



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- Inspiring Professional Development
- Strong Carmel Clay Student Success!

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Parent School Safety Academy



The Parent School Safety Academy is a unique and interactive program to Carmel Clay Schools that will teach parents the school safety principles and fundamentals that guide response protocol in our schools.

Spring 2019 Academy: March 12 & 13, 6 p.m.-8 p.m.

Click [HERE](#) to Register!

For additional questions, please contact Student Services Director David Woodward at dwoodwar@ccs.k12.in.us